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Jean-Pierre ROBIN et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1611									
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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER									
Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231									
Sir:									
Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.									
[X] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.									
[ ]	A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [ ] \$55.00 (248) [ ] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.								
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[ ]	statement(s) claiming small entity status [ ] are also enclosed [ ] were submitted previously.								
[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.								
[X]	No additional claim fee is required.								
[]	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:								

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	No. Of CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	Extra Claims	RATE	ADDT'L FEE		
Total Claims		MINUS =		× \$18.00 (103) =			
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$78.00 (102) =			
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00 (104)							
Total Amendment Fee							
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee							
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT							

L	j	A claim fee in the	e amount of \$	18	enclosed.
[	]	Charge \$	to Deposit Account N	lo.	02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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